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ORIGINAL ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION
UTILITY COMPLAINT FORM

Investigator: Guadalupe Ortiz

Phone: [REDACTED]

Fax: [REDACTED]

Priority: Respond Within Five Days

Opinion **No.** 2009 - 74598

Date: 1/14/2009

Complaint Description: 08A Rate Case Items - Opposed
N/A Not Applicable

Complaint By: **First:** Susan **Last:** Lancaster

Account Name: Susan Lancaster

Home: [REDACTED]

Street: [REDACTED]

Work:

City: [REDACTED]

CBR:

State: AZ

Zip: [REDACTED]

is:

Utility Company: Sulphur Springs Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc.

Division: Electric

Contact Name: [REDACTED]

Contact Phone: [REDACTED]

Nature of Complaint:

REFERRED FROM CHAIRMAN MAYES OFFICE:

RE: Docket No. E-01575A-08-0328

Arizona Corporation Commission

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JAN 15 2009

-----Original Message-----

From: Susan Lancaster [mailto:[REDACTED]]

Sent: Sunday, January 11, 2009 9:58 AM

To: Mayes-WebEmail; Pierce-Web

Subject: Sulphur Springs Power Lines in Sonoita residential area

TO: Kristin Mayes and Gary Pierce, Commissioners

As a resident of the Sonoita Hills community, I sincerely and respectfully request that you ask the Corporation Commission to appoint a hearing officer to conduct a public hearing re this issue. There are other more cost effective and environmentally sensitive options. Why SSVEC is so determined to run these huge power lines in an area that doesn't need it, reduce our property values and generally spoil much of what we came here to enjoy is a question I can't seem to get satisfactorily answered.

The community has had meetings offering other options which, tho given much lip service are basically ignored. The proposed route runs through a flood zone, blocks mountain views and traverses right through residential yards.

It is my understanding that as a Cooperative, SSVEC is bound by the principles in their bylaws to show concern for the community and uphold democratic member control. They have done neither in pusuing their 69 KV line through our neighborhood. They could tweek the Mustang Corners substation and run the line down the existing line along the highway without undue expense or disturbing anyones view. Instead they want to build an entirely NEW substation in the middle of our community and run these huge power lines through our neighborhoods. Why is that?

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Do they have something to gain that we don't know about?.

As our Corporation Commission duly elected by us, will you help sort this out for us?

Thank you for your time and attention

Susan Lancaster, member and resident

End of Complaint

Utilities' Response:

Investigator's Comments and Disposition:

Email to Customer:

Dear Ms. Lancaster:

On behalf of Chairman Mayes, this is to acknowledge of your e-mail regarding the 69kv line by Sulphur Springs Valley Electric. The Arizona Corporation Commission has oversight on high voltage lines over 115kv, but since this matter would impact rates and quality of service, your comments are being noted as a permanent record in the pending Sulphur Springs Valley Electric Cooperative 's rate case under docket number E-01575A-08-0328. I thank you for taking the time to express your opinion in this matter.

Sincerely,

Guadalupe Ortiz
Public Utilities Consumer Analyst
Arizona Corporation Commission
Utilities Division


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End of Comments

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Investigator: Reg Lopez

Phone: [REDACTED]

Fax: [REDACTED]

Priority: Respond Within Five Days

Opinion **No.** 2009 74397

Date: 1/7/2009

Complaint Description: 08A Rate Case Items - Opposed
 N/A Not Applicable

Complaint By: **First:** **Last:**
 Annie **McGreevy**

Account Name: Annie McGreevy

Home: (000) 000-0000

Street: [REDACTED]

Work: (000) 000-0000

City: Sonoita

CBR: [REDACTED]

State: AZ **Zip:** 85637

is: E-Mail

Utility Company: **Sulphur Springs Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc.**

Division: Electric

Contact Name: [REDACTED]

Contact Phone: [REDACTED]

Nature of Complaint:

*****Chairman Mayes
Referral*****

Received the following consumer e-mail:

From: Annie McGreevy [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, January 04, 2009 4:22 PM
To: Mayes-WebEmail
Subject: Appoint Hearing Officer for SSVEC 69kV line to Sonoita

Kris,

Please appoint a hearing officer to have a public hearing about the SSVEC 69 kV they are building to Sonoita so all sides and points of view can be heard and a recommendation made to the Commissioners for a decision/ recommendation for the most cost effective, environmentally and economic sensitive route for this line.

As a cooperative, SSVEC is bound by the principles in their bylaws to show concern for the community and uphold democratic member control. SSVEC has done neither in pursuing their proposed 69KV line through our communities.

Thank you for your help,

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Annie McGreevy

[REDACTED]

Sonoita, AZ 85637

End of Complaint

Utilities' Response:

Investigator's Comments and Disposition:

I called the customer and advised I was calling on behalf of Chairman Mayes. Customer stated that the ACC normally does not address issues like this separately, but she to wanted to express her opinion. I advised the ACC appreciated her taking the time to express her opinion and her comments would be noted as a permanent record on a related matter between SSVEC and APS. I provided the year and matter. I further explained that the ACC addresses 115 kv or higher via the Line Siting Committee, but that her comments would be noted on the referenced matter. I advised this matter was to be scheduled for Open Meeting January 13-14th, 2009, and explained how she could access the ACC's "Listen Line". Customer appreciated call back.

I e-mailed this OPINION to Trish Meeter @ the ACC's Phoenix Office to have this docketed towards docket nos. E-01575A-08-0328. Also e-mailed copy to CEW and Sheila Stoeller. File closed. .

1/8 NOTES BY TRISH

Docket No. corrected to E-01575A-08-0328.

End of Comments

Date Completed: 1/7/2009

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Investigator: Richard Martinez

Phone: [REDACTED]

Fax: [REDACTED]

Priority: Respond Within Five Days

Opinion **No.** 2009 **74382**

Date: 1/6/2009

Complaint Description: 08A Rate Case Items - Opposed
 N/A Not Applicable

Complaint By: **First:** **Last:**
 Donald **Weinstein**

Account Name: Donald Weinstein & Beverley J. Parker

Home: [REDACTED]

Street: [REDACTED]

Work:

City: Sonoita

CBR: [REDACTED]

State: AZ Zip: 85637

is: E-Mail

Utility Company: **Sulphur Springs Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc.**

Division: Electric

Contact Name: [REDACTED]

Contact Phone: [REDACTED]

Nature of Complaint:

(Docket No. E-01575A-08-0328)

Dear Commissioner:

The issue of a new SSVEC power line in the Elgin-Sonoita area has aroused a great deal of controversy among local residents and some suspicion of the motives for suggesting it. . There is much disagreement about whether a new power line is needed, what capacity it should have, where it should go, whether the proposed line will eliminate the power outages which plague these communities, whom it will serve and at what cost.

There are also many complaints that SSVEC has proceeded in an arbitrary manner and has not abided by its charter as a cooperative.

As residents of Sonoita who depend upon SSVEC for our power service we urge you to move the appointment of a hearing officer who will conduct open and responsible hearings to resolve these matter.

Thank you.

Donald Weinstein

Beverly J. Parker

[REDACTED]

Sonoita, AZ 85637

End of Complaint

Utilities' Response:

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Investigator's Comments and Disposition:

This will acknowledge that your opinion regarding Sulphur Springs Valley Electric Cooperative has been received.

In researching the Arizona Corporation Commission, e-docket the information is that this was approved on December 4, 2007 per decision no. 70027. You can view the decision online in docket no. [REDACTED]

If you have any questions you may contact me at 1-800-535-0148

Sincerely,

Richard Martinez
Public Utilities Consumer Analyst II
Arizona Corporation Commission
Utilities Division

1/06- I called customer @ 1635 hours. I acknowledged receipt of customer's email to the Commissioners. I told customer that per Decision # 70027 dated December 4, 2007 that this was already approved for financing by the Arizona Corporation Commission ("ACC"). I gave customer the Decision Number per his request.

I told customer that his Opinion would be entered into the database for the record and that his Opinion would be docketed so that the Commissioners would have an opportunity to read his concerns regarding this matter.

FILE CLOSED.

E-mailed Trish Meeter @ ACC's Phoenix Office to have this OPINION docketed in E 01575A-08-0328.
CLOSED.

1/7 NOTES BY TRISH

Corrected Docket no. for filing.

End of Comments

Date Completed: 1/7/2009

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